GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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SALINITY IN SEA/RIVERS WATER
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated or proposes to formulate any scheme to reduce the salinity in sea/rivers water;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this scheme has been extended to Jamnagar city in Gujarat; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) & (b) Using the processes development by Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, a plant for production of 1800 m3/day of desalinated water from seawater has been commissioned at Kalpakkam, Tamil Nadu. Another plant with capacity of 4500 m3/day is also at advanced stage of construction. However, the Ministry of Water Resources has not formulated any scheme to reduce the salinity in sea/rivers water.

(c) & (d) Does not arise.